

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	Musach, Mistry and Sarge
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For:	Balloon With Radiopaque Markers for Stent Delivery System
Examiner:	Kathryn L. Thompson
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Preliminary Amendment (Using New Format Effective July 1, 2003)

Examiner Thompson:

This amendment is being submitted in connection with an RCE. Please amend
the application as follows:

In The Claims:

Claims 2 and 6 (Canceled).

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A stent delivery catheter comprising:

a catheter having a distal end, the catheter including a balloon near its distal end;

a stent mounted for delivery onto the balloon,

the balloon being made of a material, ~~which includes~~ **the material being made of** at

least one radiopaque portion.

Claim 3 (original): The stent delivery catheter of claim 1 wherein the radiopaque portion is made
by including radiopaque metal powder in the balloon material.